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For: A METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A FLOOR COVERING

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 9, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please enter the following amendments to the specification:

On page 1, delete the 1st paragraph and insert therefor:

This application is a continuation of Application No. 09/141,326 filed on August 27,

1998, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

On page 13, delete the 1st paragraph and insert therefor:

We Claim

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 6 without prejudice and/or disclaimer.

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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the aboveidentified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For						
All Claims	30	-	24	=	: 6	X	\$18.00	=	\$108.00
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A check for the statutory fee of \$108.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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